

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Mr. David Plouffe, Executive Director Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee 430 South Capitol Street Washington, DC 20003

RE:

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Zimmer 2000, Inc.

Dear Mr. Plouffe:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on October 27, 2000, concerning Dick Zimmer, Zimmer 2000, Inc. and Maria Chappa, as treasurer, and the National Republican Congressional Committee ("Respondents").

Based on that complaint, and information provided by the Respondents, on June 1, 2001, the Commission found that there was reason to believe Zimmer 2000, Inc. and Maria Chappa, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action against Zimmer 2000, Inc. and Maria Chappa, as treasurer, and closed the file in this matter on June 1, 2001. The Commission also found that on the basis of the information provided in your complaint, and information provided by the Respondents, there was no reason to believe Zimmer 2000, Inc. and Maria Chappa, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f). At the same time, the Commission admonished Zimmer 2000, Inc. and Maria Chappa, as treasurer, that improper reporting of party coordinated expenditures is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a)(3)(iii). A copy of the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

In addition, on June 1, 2001, the Commission found that on the basis of the information provided in your complaint, and information provided by the Respondents, there was no reason to believe National Republican Congressional Committee and Donna Anderson, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(2)(A) or 441a(d)(3)(B), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. Accordingly, on June 1, 2001, the Commission closed the file in this matter.

This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Susan L. Lebeaux

Assistant General Counsel

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General Counsel's Report